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## PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: Friday, February 03, 2006 12:50 p.m.  
Date/Time of Occurrence Friday, February 03, 2006 1:54 a.m.  
Nature of Event: Man Dies in Custody, Apparent Drug Overdose  
Location of Call: Sierra College Blvd.  
Released by: Dena Erwin (530) 889-6922

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### **SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:**

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A 32-year-old Rancho Cordova man may have died from a drug overdose after being stopped by a Placer County Sheriff's deputy early this morning.

Isaiah Raymond Sept was driving on westbound Interstate 80 near Sierra College Boulevard at 1:54 a.m. Friday when the deputy pulled him over for speeding. Sept exited the freeway and pulled over near a fast food outlet. After discovering that Sept was a parolee, and with a back-up officer on scene, the deputy patted Sept down and had him stand next to the patrol car without handcuffs. While the back-up deputy stood by with Sept, the other deputy conducted a vehicle search that revealed what appeared to be rock cocaine in the area of the driver's seat.

Sept was then placed in the back seat of a patrol car, without handcuffs, while the vehicle search was completed. At 2:15 a.m., the deputies noted that Sept was clutching the patrol car's metal cage and appeared distressed. Deputies determined that he was having difficulty breathing. An ambulance was immediately dispatched to the scene and Sept was placed on the ground outside of the patrol car.

An ambulance arrived on scene at 2:23 a.m. and shortly thereafter Sept stopped breathing. CPR was initiated and Sept was transported to Sutter Roseville Medical Center. He was pronounced dead at 3 a.m. Sheriff's detectives and District Attorney's investigators were called in and an investigation is underway.

Throughout the incident, Sept had been cooperative with the deputies and no force was used. An outside pathologist will perform an independent autopsy Monday, which is standard sheriff's policy in such cases. Toxicology testing will be requested to check for the presence of drugs in Sept's system.